

# Groton Parks and Recreation Department

## Master Plan Committee

Wednesday, October 20, 2010

6:00 PM

Location – Groton Senior Center

### Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM
2. Roll Call: Sue Sutherland, Wayne Chiapperini, Mike Doyle, Kathryn Brown-Tracy, Carol Fox, Ray Munn, Lisa Luck, Al Nordquist (6:15), John Silsby, Jerry Lokken, Dick McCarthy (7:00 pm)
3. Approval of Minutes from 9/15/2010 Mike Doyle made a motion to approve the minutes of Special Meeting on 9/7/10, seconded by Sue Sutherland. Motion passed unanimously. Ray Munn made a motion to approve the minutes of 9/15/10, seconded by Kathryn Brown-Tracy. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Correspondence/Communications: None
5. Reports
  - Phase II – School Improvement Program: the traffic study has been completed and both proposed sites for a new middle school are possible. It would cost approximately \$100,00 to make the Claude Chester site work, but that is within expectations of Groton Public Schools. Discussion that regardless of the outcome of the Phase II effort, it is likely that Fitch Middle School will be closed as a school.
  - Tour of Mansfield Community Center: Tour of Mansfield Community Center was scheduled for Monday, November 8. Members to meet at the Groton Senior Center at 5:00 p.m. Jerry Lokken will confirm the time with Mansfield staff.
  - Survey Monkey to Determine Community Center Facility Needs: Discussion of results from on-line survey sent out to past participants in P&R programs, and others who found the link on Facebook, the Town's website, etc. Various comments from the survey respondents were discussed. A suggestion was made for members to especially review the negative comments, and determine how the committee would respond to each of these.
6. Old Business
  - Subcommittee meetings: Not held
7. New Business
  - Recommendations for collaborating with GPS relative to planned referendum in Spring 2011: It was agreed that members would come to the November meeting ready to make decisions on what amenities a community center should have after reviewing info from the MP document, the recent on-line survey and a visit to the Mansfield Community Center. Jerry Lokken will send out a short survey for MPC members in an effort to summarize the rankings by the group. The vision is to have the public well-educated about a potential community center by the school referendum in the spring 2011.
  - Jerry Lokken mentioned that the Parks and Recreation Commission will have a vacancy as of January 2011, and anyone interested in serving on the commission could talk to him for more details on the position, but an appointment would need to be approved by the Town Council
8. Next Meeting – November 17<sup>th</sup> – Groton Senior Center
9. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Minutes have been approved and accepted.

Signature

Date

11/17/10